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BY THE MILITARY COMMITTEE,

EXPRESSIVE

Of the thanks of congress to Major General Jackson, and the troops under his command, for their gallantry and good conduct, in the defence of New Orleans.

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THE UNITED STATES.

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Mr. Giles, from the committee on military affairs, reported the following resolutions, which were read and passed to the second reading.

Resolutions expressive of the thanks of congress to major general Jackson, and the troops under his command, for their gallantry and good conduct in the defence of New Orleans.

Resolved, by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That the thanks of congress be, and they are hereby given to major general Jackson, and through him to the officers and soldiers of the regular army, of the militia, and of the volunteers, under his *immediate* command, for their uniform gallantry and good conduct, conspicuously displayed against the enemy from the time of his landing before New Orleans, until his final expulsion therefrom; and particularly for their distinguished gallantry, skill, and good conduct, on the 8th of January last, in repulsing, with great slaughter, a numerous British army of chosen veteran troops, when attempting, by a bold and daring attack, to storm and carry the works hastily thrown up for the defence of New Orleans, and thereby obtaining a most signal and complete victory over the enemy, with a disparity of loss on his part unexampled in military annals.

Resolved, That the president of the United States be requested to cause to be struck a gold medal, with devices emblematical of this splendid achievement, and presented to major general Jackson, as a testimony of the high sense entertained by congress, of the judicious and distinguished part he acted on this glorious and memorable occasion.

Resolved, That the president of the United States be requested to cause the foregoing resolutions to be communicated to major general Jackson, in such terms as he may deem best calculated to give effect to the objects thereof.

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